

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 VIENNA 09040 242232Z

15

ACTION ST-01

INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 ISO-00 /014 W
----- 003218

R 241239Z OCT 75

FM AMEMBASSY VIENNA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6980

UNCLAS VIENNA 9040

EO 11652: N/A

TAGS: ASUP, ATRN, AFSP, AU

SUBJ: AUSTRIAN EMISSION STANDARDS: SHIPMENT OF MOTOR
VEHICLES TO AUSTRIA

REF: DEPARTMENT'S A-7410 OF SEPTEMBER 25, 1974 AND
A-7859 OF OCTOBER 17, 1974; TELECON BERNSTEIN/
ZIMMERMAN OF OCTOBER 21, 1975

1. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 1975 GOA ESTABLISHED AUSTRIAN
MOTORE VEHICLE EXHAUST EMISSION STANDARDS APPLYING TO NEW
AND/OR USED MOTOR VEHICLES TO BE REGISTERED IN AUSTRIA.
THESE STANDARDS ARE IDENTICAL WITH THE NEW EUROPEAN
EMISSION STANDARDS ECE REGULATION 15 (01) BUT DIFFER
FROM THE U.S., EPA STANDARDS. COPY OF AUSTRIAN FEDERAL
LAW GAZETTE INCLUDING ECE STANDARDS APPLICABLE TO
AUSTRIA WILL BE AIR POUCHED ASAP.

2. NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE AUSTRIAN MINISTRY FOR
TRANSPORTATION INDICATED THAT NO GENERAL EXEMPTIONS
WOULD BE MADE FOR NEW AND/OR USED GOVERNMENT OWNED
MOTOR VEHICLES IMPORTED BY DIPLOMATIC OR CONSULAR
MISSIONS. A CERTIFICATE OF CONFORMITY WITH AUSTRIAN
EMISSION STANDARDS IS REQUIRED BY AUSTRIAN LAW.

3. TO AVOID COMPLICATIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE
IMPORTATION AND REGISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT-OWNED
VEHICLES IN AUSTRIA, EMBASSY REQUESTS THAT IN THE
FUTURE, OFFICIAL VEHICLES PROCURED FOR AUSTRIA BE
LIMITED TO THOSE WHICH WILL MEET AUSTRIAN EMISSION
UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 VIENNA 09040 242232Z

STANDARDS. LOCAL TESTING AND/OR MODIFICATION OF

CURRENT U.S. MANUFACTURED VEHICLES TO MEET NEW EUROPEAN EMISSION STANDARDS IS NOT PRESENTLY PRACTICABLE. HOWEVER, PLEASE SHIP THOSE REPLACEMENT VEHICLES ALREADY PROCURED (TWO DODGE SEDAN DELIVERIES, ONE P.R. NO. 570100, THE OTHER REPLACEMENT FOR IHC SCOUT, INVENTORY NO. 172501; ONE 1975 FORD TORINO, P.R. NO. 540121; THE SEVEN 1974 FORD CUSTOM 4-DOOR SEDANS FOR MBFR MENTIONED IN STATE 241802, AND ANY OTHER REPLACEMENT VEHICLES ALREADY PROCURED AND SCHEDULED FOR EARLY SHIPMENT. WE HAVE AN URGENT NEED FOR THESE REPLACEMENT VEHICLES, AND BELIEVE WE WILL BE ABLE TO OBTAIN A ONE TIME EXEMPTION FOR IMPORTING AND REGISTERING THEM, SINCE THEY WERE PROCURED PRIOR TO THE PUBLICATION OF THE GOA EXHAUST EMISSION STANDARDS DISCUSSED IN PARA 1. IN THIS CONNECTION, WOULD APPRECIATE AIR POUCH SHIPMENT OF TEN SETS OF STATE DEPT LICENSE TAGS, THE D.C. REGISTRATION FORMS FOR THE SEVEN 1974 FORDS BEING SHIPPED, IF POSSIBLE, AND TWENTY STATE DEPT VEHICLE REGISTRATION FORMS. LICENSE TAGS AND STATE DEPT REGISTRATION FORMS REQUESTED SIMILAR TO THOSE SENT BY OPR/ST TO ROME FOR THEIR OFFICIAL VEHICLES IN 1974.

4. EMBASSY EXPECTS THAT EXEMPTIONS WILL BE GRANTED BY AUSTRIAN AUTHORITIES TO POV'S WHICH ARE IMPORTED FOR EMPLOYEES (REGARDLESS OF WHETHER HE/SHE HAS A DIPLOMATIC OR CONSULAR TITLE) PROVIDED THAT THE VEHICLE IS OWNED BY THE EMPLOYEE AND HAS VALID LICENSE TAGS AND REGISTRATION FROM THE PREVIOUS POST OF ASSIGNMENT. SUCH TAGS AND REGISTRATION MUST BE VALID AT THE TIME OF IMPORTATION AND MUST CONTINUE TO BE VALID UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE VEHICLE IS INSPECTED AND REGISTERED BY AUSTRIAN AUTHORITIES. SO-CALLED "CUSTOMS" (ZOLL) TAGS AND REGISTRATIONS DO NOT MEET THIS REQUIREMENT.

5. IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE DEPARTMENT ADVISE PERSONNEL OF ALL AGENCIES BEING ASSIGNED TO AUSTRIA, WHO PLAN TO BRING OR SHIP POV'S, OF THE TENTATIVE GUIDANCE PROVIDED IN PARA 4 (ABOVE). PERSONNEL BEING UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 03 VIENNA 09040 242232Z

ASSIGNED TO AUSTRIA ARE URGED TO WRITE TO THE EMBASSY IF THEY PLAN TO IMPORT POV'S IN ORDER THAT UP-TO-DATE GUIDANCE IN THIS CONNECTION MAY BE GIVEN. BUCHANAN

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: n/a
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 24 OCT 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: n/a
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 JAN 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975VIENNA09040
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750371-1179
From: VIENNA
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t19751022/aaaaatme.tel
Line Count: 110
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION ST
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: buchant0
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 17 OCT 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <17 OCT 2003 by ReddocGW>; APPROVED <11 FEB 2004 by buchant0>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
06 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: AUSTRIAN EMISSION STANDARDS: SHIPMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO AUSTRIA
TAGS: ASUP, ATRN, AFSP, AU
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006